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1. ECOM COUNSELOR AND COMATT DISCUSSED OCEANIC BID SUBMISSION WITH GOLDMAN DURING LATTER'S RECENT VISIT, AT WHICH TIME NO DIFFICULTIES HAD AS YET ARISEN, AND IT APPEARED THAT OCEANIC'S LOW BID WOULD BE THE WINNER. WE WERE SUBSEQUENTLY MADE AWARE OF DIFFICULTIES OUTLINED REFTEL BY OCEANIC'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE, HENRY DRN WHO BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THAT MATTERS HAVE TAKEN A FAVORABLE TURN. THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY HAS AGREED, WITH THE APPROVAL OF MINISTER OF ECONOMY MARTINEZ DE HOZ, TO FORM A SPECIAL COMMISSION OF TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVES OF VARIOUS GOA AGENCIES TO REVIEW R.J. BROWN'S RECOMMENDATION THAT OCEANIC BE DISQUALIFIED ON TECHNICAL GROUNDS. DRATH DOES NOT FEEL THAT EMBASSY INTERVENTION AT THIS STAGE WOULD BE HELPFUL, AND SEEMS TO THINK THAT THE SPECIAL REVIEW PROCEDURE IS THE BEST SOLUTION IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND MAY WELL PRODUCE AN OPINION OVERRULING THAT OF THE PROJECT CONSULTANTS. R.J. BROWN, WE ARE TOLD, IS A DUTCH COMPANY MAINTAINING OFFICES IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, AS WELL AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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2. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS MATTER, AND HAVE INDICATED TO DRATH OUR CONTINUED WILLINGNESS TO BE HELPFUL.
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